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## Office Action Summary

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10/738,435

Applicant(s)

MALONE ET AL.

Examiner

Terrell L Mckinnon

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

### Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If the period for reply specified above is less than thirty (30) days, a reply within the statutory minimum of thirty (30) days will be considered timely.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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### Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 17 December 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

### Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-28 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-28 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

### Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 17 December 2003 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

### Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some \* c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

### Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)  
Paper No(s)/Mail Date 1.
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)  
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_.

## DETAILED ACTION

### ***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102***

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

2. Claims 1-7, 9-12 and 14-28 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Cheon (U.S. 6,313,990).

Cheon discloses a cooling apparatus for electronic devices comprising all of the applicant's claimed and disclosed limitations of the instant invention.

### ***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103***

3. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

3. 4. Claims 8 and 13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Cheon (U.S. 6,313,990) in view of Fox et al. (U.S. 5,285,347).

Cheon's invention discloses all of the claimed limitations from above except for the heat exchanger component employs one or more fans located

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inside of the computer chassis to dissipate the heat, wherein one or more of the one or more fins are operably located outside of the computer chassis, wherein the one or more fans force air against the one or more fins to dissipate the heat; the one or more heat exchanger components comprise a heat exchanger component, wherein the outer surface comprises a rear outer surface, wherein the heat exchanger component comprises a size that is less than or equal to a size of the rear outer surface of the computer chassis', wherein the computer chassis sits in a rack, wherein the size of the heat exchanger component allows removal of the computer chassis and the heat exchanger component from the rack.

However, Fox teaches the heat exchanger component employs one or more fans located inside of the computer chassis to dissipate the heat, wherein one or more of the one or more fins are operably located outside of the computer chassis, wherein the one or more fans force air against the one or more fins to dissipate the heat; the one or more heat exchanger components comprise a heat exchanger component, wherein the outer surface comprises a rear outer surface, wherein the heat exchanger component comprises a size that is less than or equal to a size of the rear outer surface of the computer chassis', wherein the computer chassis sits in a rack, wherein the size of the heat exchanger component allows removal of the computer chassis and the heat exchanger component from the rack.

Given the teachings of Fox, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to modify the cooling apparatus of

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Cheon with the heat exchanger component employs one or more fans located inside of the computer chassis to dissipate the heat, wherein one or more of the one or more fins are operably located outside of the computer chassis, wherein the one or more fans force air against the one or more fins to dissipate the heat; the one or more heat exchanger components comprise a heat exchanger component, wherein the outer surface comprises a rear outer surface, wherein the heat exchanger component comprises a size that is less than or equal to a size of the rear outer surface of the computer chassis', wherein the computer chassis sits in a rack, wherein the size of the heat exchanger component allows removal of the computer chassis and the heat exchanger component from the rack.

Doing so would provide an enhanced and efficient cooling airflow for the heat generating components.

### ***Conclusion***

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. The following references are cited for disclosing related limitations of the applicant's claimed and disclosed invention. Cheon (2 Patents), Prish, IV et al, Konstad et al, Tokuhara et al, Hileman et al, Chien, Ohashi et al, Puckett, and Budelman.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Terrell L Mckinnon whose telephone number

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is 703-305-0059. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday -Thursday and every other Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Henry Bennett can be reached on 308-0101. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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